## **REMARKS**

Claim 1 has been amended to clarify the antecedent basis for the "said base." Additionally, claim 1 has been amended to indicate that the film base has upper and lower <u>faces</u> rather than surfaces, and that the projection's space projections project from the upper face of the film base. This is clearly shown in figures 4 - 6. Although the spaced projections 14 may merge at their stem portions 15. The majority of the extents of the projection are certainly spaced from each other and they project from a face of the film.

With respect to the new rejection based on Roessler, that rejection is respectfully traversed. The specific description of the hook <u>density</u> in Roessler is found at column 6, line 62 - 67. The description in the abstract is clearly a typographical error in that the entire specification is clearly talking about hook <u>density</u>, which is a term per unit area, not unit length. Otherwise, the term density does not make any linguistic sense. Density inherently relates to an area and is not a one-dimensional term.

When the hook density described at column 6 is converted into square centimeters, the 441 to 1,040 hooks per square inch translates to 68 - 161 hooks per square centimeter. This can be converted to a range of possible hook spacings per row using the row density numbers on line 67. Using the smallest number of rows with the largest number of hooks per unit area would translate into an upper limit. The largest number of rows with the lowest hook density would define the lower limits, using the numbers in Roesler, the possible range of hooks per centimeter in a row would convert to 3 - 20 hooks per centimeter in a row. This is well below applicants claimed range. As such the anticipation of rejection over Roessler is considered inappropriate and respectfully requested withdrawn.

Further and favorable action in the form notice of allowance is believed to be in order and such is respectfully requested.

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